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Attention: Maintenance Fees

### PETITION FOR CHANGE IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c)

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: United States Patent No. 6,168,716

For: CYCLONE SEPARATOR HAVING A VARIABLE TRANSVERSE PROFILE

Issued: December 14, 2000 Assignee: G.B.D. Corporation

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c), the Applicant respectfully requests to forfeit small entity status for this patent. The small entity status was established in good faith and the small entity fees were paid. It has been later discovered that the small entity rate was established in error on June 12, 2008 and August 27, 2012, when the renewals were paid. Pursuant to 37 C F.R. 1.28(c)(2)(ii), the Applicant respectfully submits the chart below setting out the itemization of the deficiency in payment.

Fee	Large Entity Rate at the time of payment	Paid	Date of submission	Deficiency
7.5 Year Renewal	\$2,360.00	\$1,180.00	12-Jun-08	\$1,180.00
11.5 Year Renewal	\$4,730.00	\$2,365.00	27-Aug-12	\$2,365.00
Total				\$3,545.00

Therefore, the Applicant herein authorizes the Commissioner to charge deficiency of \$3,545.00 to our deposit account 022095 such that all fees will be paid at the large entity rate.

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Should the fees submitted with this letter be insufficient to cover all the fees for which payment is explicitly or implicitly requested by this letter, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of the insufficiency to our deposit account no. 022095, at the rate prescribed for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

BERESKIN & PARR LLP/ S.E.N.C.R.L., s.r.l.

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#### **COMMENTS:**

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Please find attached a letter authorizing the payment of deficiency. This patent, US 6,168,716, is now subject to the large entity rate.

Respectfully submitted,

BERESKIN & PARR LLP/ S.E.N.C.R.L., s.r.l.

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